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Duke University Hospital proposes to expand Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

RALEIGH – Duke University Hospital has filed an application with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to add 14 additional Level IV neonatal beds.

A public hearing for this project will be held at 1 p.m. on Jan. 14 in the Auditorium of the Durham County Agricultural Building, 721 Foster St., Durham.

The \$7.5-million project will renovate 6,600 square feet on the fifth floor of the hospital to add 14 beds to the hospital's existing 37 Level IV neonatal beds, for 51 Level IV neonatal beds. If approved, the hospital proposes to begin construction in August 2008 and complete the project by December 2009.

Anyone may file written comments concerning this proposal. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than Dec. 31 at the following address:

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